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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2006 WAIMANALO PUBLIC AND SCHOOL LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Andrew Jamila, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Jamila announced tonight's Neighborhood Board meeting will be dedicated to the memory of "Cookie" Sumner, a community member, who passed away yesterday. (A round of applause was given at this time).

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Andrews, David Bettencourt, Joe Birtles, Michael Buck, Phillip Ellsworth, Andrew Jamila, Jr., Bobbie Kahalewai, Peter "Kahana" Albinio, Jr., Mabel Spencer, Solomon Spencer.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nani Akeo, Wilson Kekoa Ho, Blanche McMillan.

GUESTS: Councilmember Barbara Marshall, J. Ikaika Anderson (Councilmember Marshall's office), Steve Cayetano (Congressman Ed Case's office), Micah Kane (Governor's Representative), Senator Fred Hemmings, Representative Tommy Waters, Captain Job Harris (HFD), Capt. Michael Moses and Lt Dave Eber (HPD), Gen. Robert Lee (State Civil Defense), Scott Ishikawa (State Department of Transportation), Lt. Col. Patricia Johnson (MCBH), Pi'ilani Kai (Waimanalo Health Center), Paul Richards (WHHA), Julie Dugan (Hawai'i Job Corps), Fred Welch (Hope Chapel Waimanalo), Marleen Keanu (Blanche Pope PCNC), Corey Adler (API Center), Lani Almanza (American Cancer Society), Kristi Schulenberg (Hawai'i Bicycling League), Kehau Padilla (Empower Waimanalo), Richard Pezzulo (Empower O'ahu), Gwen Kailihiwa (HCW), Kim Jacobsen (HHI), Bev Addington (Kapuna Housing), Stewart L. (Keeno Farms), Suzanne Frazer and Dean Otsuki (East O'ahu Lifeguard Association), Lucy Akau, Jaye Aquino, Railin Kauhi, Kim Kessler, William Rodrigues, Kalei Shannon, Cliff Ziems, Steve J. Rodrigues (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

PULE: Jamila said if prayer offends anyone, now is the time to leave the room. Ellsworth offered the pule.

(Albinio arrived at 7:33 p.m.)

CITY EMERGENCY AGENCIES/PUBLIC INPUT (Part I)

Honolulu Fire Department – Captain Job Harris reported: 1) For the month of July, the Waimanalo Fire Station responded to 7 fires; 41 medical emergencies; 2 search and rescues; and 4 miscellaneous calls. 2) Fire Safety Tip: "August is the start of a new school year. Be careful while driving near schools and be aware of students crossing the street. Take the time to teach your children how to cross the street safely and remind them to call 911 for emergencies."

Honolulu Police Department – Lt. Dave Eber reported for the month of July in the Waimanalo area, there were 3 simple assaults, 3 auto theft recoveries, 5 burglaries, 1 drug/narcotics, 2 drunk nuisance, 2 DUI, 7 loud parties, 3 motor vehicle thefts, 23 fireworks violations, 1 graffiti, 2 harassment, 19 hazardous driver, 8 property damage, 23 noise complaints, 32 nuisance complaints, 11 thefts, 22 traffic stops, 17 UEMV, 10 abandoned vehicles (towed).

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) Bettencourt had concerns regarding loud parties. Lt. Eber said when you call 911, an officer should respond. If no one responds, call back and ask to speak to a supervisor. Bettencourt also had concerns about a motorist running the red light every morning. Lt. Eber stated the area Bettencourt indicated is part of District 7. He will relay the concern. This police district ends at the end of Makapu'u Lighthouse.
- 2) Andrews inquired if Waimanalo has more crime than other parts of the island. Lt. Eber did not have any information available.

- 3) Kahalewai asked if officers patrol the Hale Apuni area (her neighborhood) because residents haven't seen a patrol car in the past three months. Thieves have been siphoning gas from residents' vehicles. Lt. Eber answered yes they do come into the community. Three officers are assigned for Waimanalo (from Makapu'u to the Olomana Golf Course).
- 4) Regarding the theft from vehicle for the Boy Scout Troop from San Jose, California, Capt. Michael Moses stated the case is still pending. The Scouts want their rolls of film returned. Unfortunately, it's one of the first items tossed.
- 5) Bettencourt reiterated his concern about teenagers riding mopeds. He questioned when is the police going to confiscate the vehicles. Capt. Moses said they are doing the best they can. Only three officers are assigned to Waimanalo. On occasions, there will be two additional officers on ATV's. The next time it becomes a problem, call 911. You can also call him anytime at 247-2166 (Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). If he's doesn't answer, leave a message and he will return your call. Lt. Eber can be reached at 262-6555
- 6) A resident asked if there were any arrests for those who were responsible for breaking into 10 vehicles at Kupuna Housing. Capt. Moses answered he had no information available.
- 7) Birtles had concerns about teenagers riding go-carts, motorcycles, etc. Capt. Moses said to call 911. Birtles indicated he did but no one responded. Capt. Moses said if you don't get a response to call the Kaneohe Police Station and ask for a supervisor. And, if you are still not satisfied, call him the next day at the Kaneohe Police Station.
- 8) A resident had concerns about individuals riding dirt bikes on Kalanianaole Highway and Waimanalo Beach Park. Capt. Moses will follow-up.
- 9) There was a lengthy discussion on mopeds. Jamila mentioned a few meeting ago he asked if Capt. Frank Fujii could do a Public Service Announcement (PSA) regarding moped laws. Capt. Moses indicated that Capt. Fujii doesn't have a budget to do PSA's. He could do a press conference, but it's up to the media to cover it. Jamila said he did call Capt. Fujii but he only got his voice mail. Capt. Moses will follow-up.
- 10) Capt. Moses announced that this Sunday HPD started a new 9 hours, 5-day workweek. Lt. Eber will be replacing Lt. John Cheong at the Board meetings. If anyone has any problems, give him (Capt. Moses) a call. (A round of applause was given at this time).

Mayor's Representative – Jamila said Cyndy Aylett sends her regrets. In addition, he read her (follow-up) report:

1) Attached to her report is a summary of all the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) for Waimanalo and their status. 2) Aylett will continue to follow-up with Department and Parks and Recreation (DPR) as to why park users can't remain in Kaiona Beach Park after the bathroom facilities are closed. She apologizes for not having a response. 3) Bulky item pickup for Waimanalo is scheduled for the fourth Wednesday of each month. Pickup is conducted over a three to four day period, but to ensure that your items are picked up, they should be at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on the first day. 4) The Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) would be happy to respond to specific questions relating to agricultural and commercial zoning. Please send questions to Art Challacombe at asschallacombe@honolulu.gov. Attached to her report was the Revised Ordinance of Hawai'i and its definition of agricultural districts. 5) Aylett contacted resident Amanda Hermanson regarding her inquiry about extending TheBus route 77. If Hermanson has any further concerns, please let Neighborhood Assistant Steve J. Rodrigues know and Aylett will follow-up. 6) Rodrigues will bring back any new concerns in Aylett's absence.

Concerns and comments followed:

Mabel Spencer questioned why construction has stopped at Waimanalo District Park. Councilmember Marshall indicated Les Chang, Director of Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), has assured her that the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) is a priority and it will get done. And, the Department of Design and Construction (DDC) is aware of the gym roof and they also stated that the project will be completed. The entire project is in this year's budget. She will follow-up and keep the Board updated..

- 2) Councilmember Marshall stated, according to Chang, Kaiona Beach Park does not close. However, the bathrooms are closed at 8:00 p.m. due to vandalism. Anderson has been working on the issue. Park users can always apply for a permit. There are only two beach parks that close in this area (Waimanalo District Park at 10:00 p.m.; and Waimanalo Bay Beach Park 6:45 p.m.). If anyone informs you that Kaiona Beach Park is closed get their name and her office will follow-up.
- 3) Councilmember Marshall explained the process for green waste pickup. For the Waimanalo area, it's held on the fourth Wednesday of the month. And, it will be picked-up within a three-four day period. The drivers get paid by the amount of bins they pick-up. Her staff has been working on this issue every day. If anyone has any concerns, please call her office at 547-7003.

APPROVAL OF JULY 10, 2006 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: Buck moved and Birtles seconded that the Waimanalo Neighborhood Board approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

RESIDENTS' CONCERNS:

Waimanalo Beach Park – Resident Gwen Kailihiwa had concerns about the Kamani Tree that is growing at Waimanalo Beach Park. The leaves from the tree that falls on the ground sit there for weeks. It's not good for the children to be breathing these leaves. There is a Pop Warner Bowl Game this weekend. She will rake the leaves if it comes down to it. Resident Railin Kauhi displayed photographs of the conditions of the park (i.e. trash not picked-up, holes in the field, etc.). Another resident indicated that the bathrooms are dirty. Kahelewai added there is a homeless problem at the park. Jamila referred this issue to Ikaika Anderson of Councilmember Marshall's office. In addition, Kalihiwa said she's under investigation by DPR for not keeping the park clean after a party she held. Jamila noted that the Neighborhood Board meeting is the venue for residents to air their concerns – concerns then will be referred to the proper agency/elected official.

Pukiki Tree Service – Resident Kim Kessler stated residents of Saddle City have concerns about Pukiki Tree Service. Concerns include constant loud noise, seven days a week (i.e. diesel engines, back-up truck beepers, dump trucks, grinding noise from tree chippers, early morning noise from employees, etc.). She called every City department (including Department of Planning and Permitting because Pukiki Tree Service is in violation since the area is zoned Agricultural and not Commercial), Councilmember Marshall's office, and police. Channel 4 News has done a news report on this business. Jamila mentioned the Board has no idea there was a problem when Pukiki Tree Service came before the Board three meetings ago. He asked Kessler to leave her contact information and the Board will keep her updated.

Beach Clean-up – Suzanne Frazer of the East O'ahu Lifeguard Association, reported: 1) Two meeting ago, she requested for the tractor schedule for beach cleanup. 2) They still need support in maintaining Bellows and Waimanalo Bay Beaches (i.e. with tractors). Even cleaning it everyday for two months, can't keep up with the amount of trash there. 3) She has organized four beach cleanups at Bellows the past month: July 16 (community groups); July 23 (Hickam Boy Scouts); July 28 and August 2 (San Jose Boy Scouts). 4) The association is holding a beach cleanup this Saturday at Kailua. In addition, two more beach cleanups will be held in Waimanalo: September 16 (Get the Drift and Bag it) and October 28 (Make a Difference Day).

In response to Frazer, Councilmember Marshall said the City is not able extend the tractor beach cleanup schedule.

PUBLIC INPUT (Part II):

State Civil Defense – Gen. Robert Lee stated: 1) Ray Lovell, also from State Civil Defense, came before the Board last month and announced that training exercises would be held at Bellows beginning tomorrow through Thursday. There will be a lot more emergency vehicles on the road. He thanked the community for their support. 2) He gave a brief update on work being done on the Kailua Reservoir. The National Guard has done work on the reservoir. If Waimanalo experiences another big rain, the water will go down Waimanalo stream. They finished the breech on State property. There is still a lot of work to be done. He will have contractors put lining on the bottom of the stream. The work will begin in a couple of months.

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) A resident thanked Gen. Lee for improvements to the reservoir. Her house was one of those that were flooded during the recent heavy rains.
- 2) Andrews had concerns about the large trees near the reservoir. Gen. Lee indicated any trees in the path of the reservoir would have to be removed (whether it's on private of public property).
- 3) Mabel Spencer asked if there are any plans to monitor the reservoir. Gen. Lee answered after the first big rain the Department of Agricultural will check on it.
- 4) Jamila inquired about funding. Gen. Lee stated it would cost another \$100,000.
- 5) Buck thanked Gen. Lee and his staff for their efforts. He did have concerns about the next big rains. Gen. Lee said they do need to get the water from the highlands as rapidly to the ocean. If anyone has any concerns about flooding, please call 211 and they will assist you.
- 6) In response to Buck, Gen. Lee said everything they do is on State land.
- 7) A resident said farmers use the dirt from the berm. Gen. Lee stated he would have inspectors follow-up.

Hawai'i Bicycling League - Century Ride - Kristi Schulenberg announced the Honolulu Century Ride will be held on September 24, 2006. The ride begins at Kapiolani Park traveling to Kalanianaole Highway. From Kalanianaole Highway to riders travel to Lunalilo Home Road and then to Hawai'i Kai Drive back to Kalanianaole Highway. The 25-mile turn around will be at Sandy Beach Park. The course continues along Kalanianaole Highway through the back roads of Waimanalo. Key intersections include: Kalanianaole Highway and Hihimanu Street; Hihimanu and Oluolu Streets; Hihimanu and Ahiki Streets; Ahiki and Waikupanaha Streets; Waikupanaha and Kumuhau Streets; Kumuhau Street and Kalanianaole Highway. There will be HPD detail at each of these intersections and additionally there will be one police detail at Kalanianaole Highway and Oluolu Street across from 7-Eleven to prevent riders from turning in at Oluolu Street and disturbing church services. There will be no road closures through Waimanalo. An Aid Station will be located at the Waimanalo Recreation Center. It will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. For more information, she can be reached at 735-5756 or at Kristi@hbl.org.

Concerns and comments followed: 1) Schulenberg answered the following: a) Participants have been informed that they have to ride single-file; b) There will be between 4,000-4,500 riders; c) They have acquired the necessary permits. 2) Scott Ishikawa, State Department of Transportation (DOT), said their project by Makai Pier should be completed in three weeks (before the Century Ride is held). 3) Mabel Spencer asked Schulenber to make sure DOT's project is completed before the event is held. The number one priority is safety.

Ellsworth moved and Bettencourt seconded that the Waimanalo Neighborhood Board No. 32 support the Century Ride. The motion carried unanimously.

Asian/Pacific Islander Youth Violence Prevention Center – University of Hawai'i - Cory Adler stated they are looking for Waimanalo parents to participate in focus groups. The Center will be designing a youth violence prevention program to be implemented in this community. Their hope is that the information that parents share will help make the program respectful of and relevant to Hawaiian, Samoan, and Filipino youths in the community. The program is strictly voluntary and each participant will receive \$40. Their names will be kept confidential. For more information, contact 956-6481 or email her at cadler@hawaii.edu.

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) Andrews asked if violence has increased at Kailua High School. Adler had no information available, as this is her first year in the program. She will follow-up.
- 2) Mabel Spencer inquired if organizations such as Waimanalo Health Center, etc. have been contacted. Adler answered focus group meetings have been held at the health center.

State Department of Transportation (DOT) – Scott Ishikawa reported: 1) Makai Pier – DOT is installing 100 concrete poles on 200 feet stretch of road on Kalanianaole Highway. The project is necessary because the rains have eroded the road. One lane will be closed for another three weeks. They can't move the crane on the side of the road because it's too heavy. He asked for the community's patience. 2) They repaved a stretch of Kalanianaole Highway (finished downtown Waimanalo). Will repave other parts of Waimanalo when they receive more asphalt. 3) DOT will be trying out an experiment; permanent solar-powered speed display signs on Kalanianaole Highway. It will be placed near schools and highways. If this experiment is successful, they will implement it in Waianae and Hau'ula.

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) Jamila asked the cost of the signs. Ishikawa answered the two signs costs \$24,000 and the money will come from DOT's maintenance budget. The signs will be erected by the end of the month.
- 2) In response to Bettencourt, Ishikawa stated they may ask HPD to monitor the speed. The device is able to record the speed of the vehicles.
- 3) Regarding Makai Pier, Mabel Spencer suggested condemning the land and going more inward. Ishikawa noted they did move it 15 feet already. If push comes to shove, they will have to condemn it. The problem is not erosion, but rainwater. DOT wants to make sure there are two ways in and out of Waimanalo.
- 4) Solomon Spencer offered a solution to the erosion problem. Ishikawa said they will have to look at long-term solutions.
- 5) A resident indicated the traffic light on Kalanianaole Highway, Makapu'u-bound, outside of this meeting facility is blocked. Ishikawa will follow-up.

(A round of applause was given to Ishikawa).

American Cancer Society (ACS) – Lani Almanza thanked the community for their support with the recently held Waimanalo Relay for Life. ACS raised over \$17,000. (A round of applause was given at this time). The organization is here for the community. She will continue to come before the Board and give updates. The Great American Smoke Out will be held on November 16. Also on this date is when the smoke-free workplace law is enacted. It will be against the law to smoke within 25 feet of any public place. (Another round of applause was given at this time). She offered her condolences to the community for the passing of Cookie Sumner.

Empower O'ahu/Empower Waimanalo – Paul Pezzulo stated Empower O'ahu – Community Strengthening Program is designed to assist O'ahu communities to improve community based planning; target O'ahu's most distressed neighborhoods for revitalization; and improve community capacity to design and implement viable development programs. Empower O'ahu communities were part of the 1999 and 2001 Empowerment Zone applications submitted to Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Last year, Kehau Padilla has tried to revitalize the process. By the end of the year, everyone will have a draft. He distributed copies of the annual report. Padilla said two meetings have already been held. The next meeting will be held this Thursday, Waimanalo Health Center, 5:30 p.m. By November 28, 2006, Empower Waimanalo has to submit an updated strategic plan. She will present the plan to the Board before it goes out. They are in the process of creating a website. (A round of applause was given at this time).

OTHER GROUPS/ORGANIZATIONS:

U.S. Marines – Lt. Col. Patricia Johnson reported: 1) As of July 17, 2006, they have a new deputy commander. 2) The next Windward Civilian-Military Council meeting will be held tomorrow, Officers Club, 11:30 a.m. 3) Last week Friday, some of their troops came home from the Middle East.

Bellows – No report or representative was available.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Senator Fred Hemmings – Senator Hemmings circulated his monthly report. In addition, he asked the Board to support his resolution to request the City Council and the Mayor to abandon the rail transit proposal and rescind the half percent excise tax implementation as planned for 2007. Also, to explore and implement alternative transportation solutions including the elevated highway, moving destinations and making substantial improvements to our existing traffic infrastructure. The rail transit would be no benefit to the residents of Waimanalo. Councilmember Marshall also opposes rail.

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) Andrews said some people think it's a real estate deal.
- 2) Senator Hemmings said the H-3 took 12 years to build because of lawsuits. Bettencourt clarified that the H-3 took 18 years to be built. And, he was part of the group that filed the lawsuit..
- 3) Birtles questioned why does O'ahu have busses that can't go uphill. He just came back from Seattle, Washington, and their busses have no problem going uphill.
- 4) Mabel Spencer suggested this item be added to next month's agenda.

Governor's Representative – Micah Kane, made the "Governor's Update" available on the sign-in table. In addition, he reported: 1) He apologized for missing the past two Board meetings. 2) Regarding enforcement of agricultural leases, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) will work with the leases to come in compliance. He did conduct a walk-through with Jamila in the community. Kane recommended Jamila work with Paul Richards of Waimanalo Hawaiian Homestead Association (WHHA). 3) The Board of Land and Natural Resources approved a seven-acre parcel for DHHL to build 45 homes. The site is across for Rocky Road on Kakaina Street. Residents will be from Waimanalo, preferably kupuna. They will address the drainage challenges. There were concerns from the farming community that they would develop the land.

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) Jamila thanked Kane for including him in the walk-through in the community.
- 2) Mabel Spencer said she supports the DHHL project.
- 3) Jamila asked how would DHHL erect a buffer to lessen the noise. Kane answered he would come back with more detailed plans.
- 4) Mabel Spencer inquired about Bellows. Kane stated he seen the first draft from the consultants and he did not approve of it. He will be discussing this issue with Paul Richards and Tony Sang of WHHA. Spencer asked when will the community have an opportunity for public input. Kane answered in six months.
- 5) Resident Lucy Akau commended Kane for his efforts in the community. (A round of applause was given at this time).

Councilmember Barbara Marshall – Councilmember Marshall circulated her monthly report and highlighted the following: 1) The deadline to apply for a tax credit or any tax exemptions is September 30, 2006. Applications must be postmarked no later than September 30. 2) Information on green waste and bulky item pickup are included in her report. To request an additional bin, contact the Department of Environmental Services Refuse Collection Division at 692-5410. 3) The City can't keep up with vandalism in the community. 4) The schedule for "3 Talk" is: August 29, Waimanalo Public Library; September 26, Kaneohe Community & Senior Center; and October 16, Aikahi Elementary School Cafeteria. All the meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. and open to everyone who resides in District 3. If anyone has any questions, please call her office at 547-7003.

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) Jamila thanked Councilmember Marshall for her report.
- 2) Andrews asked what is the City doing with affordable housing. Councilmember Marshall answered the City has been making a concerted effort to get out of housing business. The Mayor has been deferring the homeless issue to the State. You are never going to solve the homeless problem, but you hope it gets better. Andrews stated affordable housing has more to do with zoning; land is available. Incentives are offered to developers to build affordable housing. The City Council recently approved affordable housing in Waipahu.

(Albinio departed at 9:37 p.m.)

Representative Tommy Waters – Representative Waters reported: 1) He also opposes the proposed vacation cabins at Queen's Rise Recreational Center. 2) The Legislature approved \$1 million to rebuild the Kailua Reservoir for flood mitigation. He will follow-up with the Department of Agricultural. 3) He has received a lot of complaints regarding the bathrooms at Waimanalo Beach Park. One hour after the City cleans the bathrooms, it's dirty again. 4) HCDA requires certain amount of buildings affordable, but they waive the requirements. 5) Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) include \$28 million for Waimanalo Waste Water Treatment Plant; \$5 million for a second access for Kailua High School; money for a halau. He will try to get money for a bigger and better library in Waimanalo. If anyone has any legislative suggestions, please call his office at 586-9450.

Concerns and comments followed:

- 1) Mabel Spencer asked about the bridge next to Hale Apuni. Representative Waters said money is in the budget for improvements to the bridge.
- 2) Buck inquired about a community base yard. Representative Waters said it would be win-win situation for the community.
- 3) A resident said sidewalks are needed in Waimanalo, especially Hihimanu Street since its very dark and dangerous. Anderson of Councilmember Marshall's office, explained the procurement code requirements. Sidewalks are not fully funded. Representative Waters stated he did ask the State for curbs so vehicles wouldn't run into children walking on the side of the road. Ishikawa of DOT, said it's a good idea. They did it in Waianae. Representative Waters said to let him know how much it would cost and he will put it in the budget.
- 4) A resident requested money for a machine beach cleanup. Mabel Spencer echoed the request.

Congressman Ed Case – Steve Cayetano circulated Congressman Case's monthly newsletter. In addition, he reported: 1) Congressman Case just completed his "Talk Story" series. 2) Congressman Case will be in Hawai'i until September 6, 2006.

Oceanic Institute - No report or representative was available.

Bellows AFS Restoration – No report or representative was available.

Hawai'i Job Corps – Julie Dugan reported: 1) Hawai'i Job Corps now issues safety inspection stickers. The cost per vehicle is \$15.31 or \$20.51 if your windows are tinted. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (by appointment). For more information, call 259-6079. 2) They have supported Waimanalo's Sunset on the Beach for the past couple of years. This year's event will be held on September 9-10. More volunteers are needed. For more information, call 259-6051.

Waimanalo Health Center – Pi'ilani Kai reported September is Women's Health Month. Upcoming events at the Waimanalo Health Center (WHC) include: a) Bone Density Screening – Tuesdays in September (5th, 12th, 19th, 26th), 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; b) Baby Massage with Hi'ilani Project – Mondays and Fridays in September (7th, 11th, 18th, 21st, 25th), 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., WHC Goebert Educational Pavilion; c) Keiki Car Seat Event – Saturday, September 23, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. All events are free. For more information, visit

www.waimanalohc.org or look for the Women's Health Month insert in the August 30, 2006 edition of the Honolulu Advertiser.

EDUCATION:

Blanche Pope Elementary – Marlene Keanu, PCNC for Blanche Pope Elementary, reported: 1) Open House for grades and five and six will be held this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. 2) They partnered with Kamehameha Schools for a program for students entering Kindergarten. 3) Class size has been reduced in grades four through six. 4) They are working on parents workshop, which will be held day and evenings. 5) The school has a high enrollment: 95-96%. 6) Donations include: a) Waimanalo Agricultural Association – school supplies; b) Costco – backpacks for all students; c) The Plant Place – plants; d) Military – upright fans. 7) Volunteers include: a) Women Correctional Center inmates; b) Holy Trinity Church.

OTHER GROUPS/ORGANIZATIONS:

Waimanalo Hawaiian Homestead Association (WHHA) – Paul Richards, President of WHHA, reported they will be participating with 25 association to get out the Hawaiian vote. They will be set-up across from Waimanalo Beach Park, from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Wastewater Treatment Plant - Mabel Spencer asked to defer this item to next month's meeting.

Nation of Hawai'i - No report or representative was available.

Waimanalo Farm Association - No report or representative was available.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Jamila thanked everyone for coming and; expressed his condolences to the Sumner family.

ADJOURNMENT: By consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Submitted by:

Steve J. Rodrigues, Neighborhood Assistant